



**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 1, please add the following section heading and paragraph immediately prior to the "FIELD OF INVENTION" section:

**CROSS-REFERENCE RELATED TO APPLICATION**

[0001] This application claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/495,969, filed August 18, 2003, titled "Covers, Systems and Methods for Covering Deck Components" of Rodney H. Thomas.